

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (Currently amended) A conduit assembly for attachment to a mechanical circulatory device, the conduit assembly comprising:

a conduit for conducting blood between a patient and the mechanical circulatory device, the conduit including a first curved conduit and a second curved conduit;

a first coupling for attaching a first end of the first curved conduit to the mechanical circulatory device, the first coupling being movable between a rotatable position wherein the first curved conduit is rotatable relative to the mechanical circulatory device, and a fixed position wherein the first curved conduit is fixedly positioned relative to the mechanical circulatory device; and

a second coupling for attaching a second end of the first curved conduit to a first end of the second curved conduit, the second coupling being movable between a rotatable position wherein the second curved conduit is rotatable relative to the first curved conduit, and a fixed position wherein the second curved conduit is fixedly positioned relative to the first curved conduit;

wherein the first and second curved conduits are rigid so as to maintain a predetermined orientation when said first coupling and said second coupling are disposed in the fixed positions:

2. (Canceled)